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# The Signal



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## News UPDATE

### 63rd, 235th return

There is a homecoming ceremony for the 63rd Signal Battalion, and an element of the 235th Signal Company, 56th Signal Battalion, at 3 p.m. **Monday** in Alexander Hall.

The 63rd and 235th deployed in 2003 as part of Operation Iraqi Freedom where they provided voice, video, data, and satellite services to customers at various bases throughout the Central Command Area.

### Circus in town

The Royal Hanneford Circus will be at Fort Gordon's Barton Field **Thursday** to **Feb. 29**.

Showtimes are Feb. 26-27, 4:30 and 7:30 p.m.; Feb. 28, 10:30 a.m., 2 and 7 p.m.; and Feb. 29, 2 and 4:30 p.m.

Tickets are \$10 for ages 13 and over, \$5 for ages 3-12, and free for children under 3. Tickets can be purchased at the Big Top entrance, Fort Gordon Credit Union and Fort Gordon Dinner Theatre.

### Gate 1 construction

Construction at Gate 1 is ongoing.

During construction the gate will remain open, but the traffic flow will be restricted at times. Some of the lanes will be blocked to allow for installation of force protection enhancements. Due to the restricted lane flow, personnel who normally use Gate 1 are strongly encouraged to use Gates 2, 3 and 5 during the construction.

The construction of a visitors center and vehicle registration building at the gate will help Fort Gordon meet the Department of Defense requirements for access control to the post.

For information call the Installation Operations Center at 791-9747.

### Town Hall meeting

There is a Town Hall meeting for all TRADOC and garrison command civilian employees only (appropriated and non-appropriated fund) from 1-2:30 p.m. **Tuesday** in Alexander Hall. For information, call 791-4565.

### Tech show

The annual Georgia Information Technology Show is 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. **Tuesday** at the Gordon Club. The event is free to all personnel.

Major technology companies will demonstrate the latest, fastest and "best of show" computers, related hardware and accessories.

For more information call (888)282-2262, e-mail [info@atc-expo.com](mailto:info@atc-expo.com) or go to [www.atc-expo.com/shows](http://www.atc-expo.com/shows).

## U.S. flag to be worn by all

Sgt. 1st Class Marcia Triggs  
*Army News Service*

**WASHINGTON**—All Soldiers can now wear the U.S. flag insignia on the right shoulder of their utility uniform, as a continued reminder that the Army is engaged in a war at home and abroad.

"The flag has been around for years to identify deploying troops. Now based on the Army's joint expeditionary mindset, the flag represents our commitment to fight the war on terror for the foreseeable future," said Sgt. Maj. Walter Morales, the uniform policy chief for G1.

Army Chief of Staff Gen. Peter Schoomaker approved the uniform item Feb. 11, and all Soldiers have until Oct. 1, 2005 to get the insignia sewn on their uniforms.

A message on the uniform policy went out to the force Feb. 14, announcing "the current policy of deployed Soldiers wearing the U.S. flag on utility uniforms is expanded to include all Soldiers throughout the force regardless of deployment status."

Currently there are not enough flags in the inventory, which is why Soldiers have a substantial amount of time to get the flags sewn on, Morales said. Deploying troops have the priority. Everyone else will have to wait until the Defense Logistics Agency has more in stock, he said. An estimated 30 million flags need to be procured, he added.

Enlisted Soldiers will not have to purchase the flags. They will be issued five flags from their assigned unit, and commanders will make arrangements for getting the insignia sewn on, Morales said. However, if Soldiers purchase the flags on their own, they will not be reimbursed, he added.

When purchasing the flag, the only ones authorized for wear on the uniform is the reverse field flag in red, white and blue. Subdued flags and those in other colors are in violation of U.S. code, Morales said. Individuals should comply with Army Regulation 670-1, Wear and Appearance of the Army Uniform and Insignia.

The regulation still states that Soldiers are not authorized to wear the full-color cloth U.S. flag replica upon their return to home station. However, the latest change will be added to the regulation when it is revised sometime this year, Morales said.

Nothing has changed regarding the placement of the flag, Morales said. It is sewn one-half inch below the shoulder seam. If a combat patch is also placed on the right shoulder, the flag is sewn one-eighth inch below the combat patch.

"The flag is worn on the right shoulder to give the effect of the flag flying in the breeze as the wearer moves forward," Morales said. "This will serve as a vivid reminder that our nation is at war."

## Change means more work for CIF

Pvt. Armando Monroig  
*Signal staff*

A change has been made to the military uniform. As of Feb. 11, all Soldiers can wear the U.S. flag patch on their uniforms, which used to be worn only by deployed Soldiers.

The change was made by Gen. Peter Schoomaker, Army chief of staff.

Soldiers Army-wide will have until Oct. 1, 2005 to have the patches sewn on.



Photo by Pvt. Armando Monroig

**Kum Buggs sews a patch on a desert camouflage battle dress uniform at the Central Issue Facility. The CIF expects an increase in work with the addition of the flag patch to all Soldiers' uniforms.**

The change will likely mean plenty of work for the Central Issue Facility, which will be responsible for the patches sewn onto about 40,000 uniforms for the 8,000 permanent party Soldiers on post.

Norman Stafford, Fort Gordon's Central Issue Facility supervisor, said no plans have been formalized to handle the influx of work.

Although units have until Oct. 1, 2005, to comply with the new policy, Sgt. Maj. of the Army Kenneth Preston would like to see as many Soldiers as possible with the patch sewn on by June 14, 2004, said Stafford.

"We've gone out to the units right now and asked them to provide the flag," he said. "We're going to try to work it with them, once they get the flags in and coordinate getting personnel up here, and sewing the flags on."

Stafford estimates it takes one-and-a-half to two minutes to sew a flag patch to a uniform.

"Right now we are not really gearing up for it yet," he said. "But once we start getting calls from the units that they are ready to do it, it is going to take a lot of coordination out of this office and the units."

Stafford said the tricky part is going to be getting patches sewn on for Soldiers who only have a limited number of uniforms to wear.

He said CIF supports deployments all the time, so it is not a problem getting the flag patches

*See Patches, page 3A*



Photo by Steve Brady

## Welcome home

**Staff Sgt. Jonathan Gibson, Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 63rd Signal Battalion, is welcomed home by his daughter Caitlyn Thursday at Gym 3. About 100 Soldiers from HHC and the 235th Signal Company returned from Iraq Thursday, while about 230 Soldiers from companies A, B and C, 63rd Signal Battalion, are scheduled to return today. A homecoming ceremony is scheduled for 3 p.m. Monday in Alexander Hall. The Soldiers have been in Iraq for nearly a year.**

## Injured Airman receiving treatment here

Denise Allen  
*Signal staff*

March 21 is a day that Tech. Sgt. Isaac Smith will never forget.

Smith, a generator mechanic with the 283rd Air Force Combat Communications Squadron from Marietta, Ga., was working on a generator during a sand storm in Iraq.

A gust of wind knocked him off-balance and his hand went into the generator.

"When I saw my hand, I thought I had lost it," said Smith, who has been staying at Fort Gordon's Fisher House since April 2003.

After his accident, he was sent to Landstuhl Regional Medical Center in Germany, where they took pieces of bones from his hip and placed them into his left hand. Skin from his stomach was grafted onto his hand.

His little finger had to be amputated and he's missing some of his fingertips. Smith's hand, which he keeps dressed in a splint, has no knuckles.

He came to Eisenhower Army Medical Center April 17 for further surgery and physical therapy. So far, Smith has had six surgeries, including cosmetic work.

Future surgeries may include tendon surgery in his hand depending on how well it responds to treatment.

He has limited use of his hand. He can make a pinching motion with his thumb; however, most of the work is done with his thumb which was uninjured.

Staying at the Fisher House, which is waiving fees for those injured in theater of war operations, has "been

great. It's a real life saver," he said. His hand requires daily therapy and he's in walking distance to the hospital. He's also close enough to his family who live in Marietta.

According to Diana Plovman, a volunteer at the Fisher House, Smith has "opened his door" to those staying at the house, offering them encouragement and help.

Smith said he has talked to several patients with orthopedic problems.

"I've been there. I show them my hand," he said.

He said that he's later been told by hospital staff that the other patient's attitude has improved after his visit.

Smith, who has served in the Air Force for 21 years, said he will likely receive a medical retirement. He said he will probably be at Fort Gordon for another two months for continued treatment.



Photo by Denise Allen  
**Smith**



## Big Top coming to Gordon

Denise Allen  
Signal staff

Elephants, tigers, horses and acrobats will arrive at Fort Gordon's Barton Field for seven performances under the Big Top.

"It's never been done here," Ayanna Wiggins, Morale, Welfare and Recreation marketing assistant said about the Royal Hanneford Circus. "We wanted to bring in something new and fresh."

Shows will be at 4:30 and 7:30 p.m. Thursday and Friday, 10:30 a.m., 2 p.m. and 7 p.m. Feb. 28, and 2 and 4:30 p.m. Feb. 29.

The Royal Hanneford Circus traces its roots back to the 17th century. One Hanneford ancestor, Edmund, was a favorite of England's King George III, according to the Hanneford website, [www.hanneford.8m.com](http://www.hanneford.8m.com).

The circus is best known for

its equestrian acts.

Poodles Hanneford "was, and still is, acknowledged as the greatest comedy bareback rider of all time and starred in silent movies, some directed by Fatty Arbuckle," according to the website.

Also, there are dog, elephant and tiger acts in the show.

Proceeds from the circus will benefit MWR programs and facilities, Wiggins said.

Money "goes back into the IMWR fund which in turn we use to operate our facilities and provide low cost and free programs," she said.

Tickets are \$10 for those 13 years-old and older, \$5 for children ages 3-12; free for children under 3. Coupons for \$2 children's tickets are available at all MWR facilities, Saturn of Augusta, Fort Gordon Federal Credit Union and Unit Administrative Offices. For more information, call 791-6779 or go to [www.fortgordon.com](http://www.fortgordon.com).



Courtesy photo

## 67th getting settled in Kuwait

2nd Lt. Harold Price  
67th Signal Battalion

**CAMP NEW YORK, Kuwait** — After almost a month of transitioning into their new quarters and setting up base camp communications, more than 100 Soldiers assigned to Company A, 67th Signal Battalion stood proudly in formation for the opening ceremony of Camp New York.

The raising of the American flag marked the camp's official re-opening, and the beginning of the company's mission to provide communication services to the base camp facilities and the hundreds of transient Soldiers who will stay there.

The camp serves as a staging area for units arriving and departing the theater.

Since arriving in Kuwait Jan. 6, the unit has worked to set up the systems and equipment necessary to provide the base camp with phone and both secure and non-secure Internet communications. The unit realizes the importance the Army has placed on having reliable Signal communications.

"We have an old Signal saying that best describes the hard work and the importance of our job as Signal Soldiers: 'Give us the message and we'll get it through,'" said 1st Sgt. Ricky Richardson, company first sergeant.

Going into the mission well-prepared and trained has been a key factor in the company's success thus far.

"The situational field training exercises we did back at Fort Gordon mirrored what we have experienced here," said Staff Sgt. Brian Newton.

The company commander, Capt. James

Christman, stated that the morale, enthusiasm, and motivation of the Soldiers who accomplished all the hard work required to stand up the camp as a fully-functioning base has been tremendous.

"Repeatedly, other commanders on Camp New York have complimented our Soldiers on their high level of enthusiasm, teamwork and discipline," Christman explained.

"We won't stop till the last line is run," said Spc. Leon Tosh.

High morale and a positive attitude have been clearly evident throughout the unit. Like many deployed Soldiers, having a real-world mission has made many of them take more pride in how their individual jobs play an important role and purpose in the company's mission.

An unexpected morale-booster has been that the Soldiers experienced better-than-expected living conditions.

"I was surprised by the amount of space and privacy we were able to have in our living areas," Spc. Enrique Cervantes said.

Pvt. 1st Class James Rouse added, "Being able to call home to talk to my family as much as I have been able to has made me feel better about being here."

Sgt. Robert Abrahamian, who deployed to Kuwait and Iraq last year, felt this deployment has gone very well because the Soldiers are well taken care of.

"Living here this time is better than the last time I was here," Abrahamian said. "We have air conditioners, cots to sleep on, nice extras like Subway and Burger King restaurants, and better (Morale, Welfare and Recreation) tents."



Photo by Pvt. Armando Monroig

### Buffalo Soldiers

Members of the Buffalo Soldiers Greater Atlanta Area Chapter, 9th and 10th (Horse) Cavalry Association 10th Cavalry, Troop A, conduct a horse riding demonstration at Augusta State University Monday. The chapter is a group of individuals who banded together to study and participate in the re-creation of African-Americans' role in the settling of the West, focusing on the campaigns and military engagements of the Buffalo Soldiers, Soldiers who were part of all-black cavalry units. The demonstration was part of the university's Black History Month observance.

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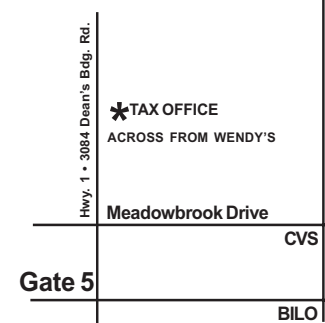
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# Shop smart when buying a car

Lanny Valentine  
Army Community Service

So, you need a car? If you've made the decision to buy, and are thinking about a used car, there are some things you need to know.

In recent months, complaints about used car sales have topped the charts at Army Community Service. It's a sad state of affairs, but young Soldiers are making big mistakes every day on used car lots, and many will feel the financial effects for years.

Soldiers looking to buy their first car sometimes assume that they will have trouble buying a new car, or will have problems financing even a used car because they have no credit history. So, they shop only at used car dealers that advertise easy financing for military personnel.

In truth, lower interest rates and manufacturer incentives have made it easier to buy and finance both new and used cars, so check around before settling for second best.

Most of the complaints about used cars are based on mechanical problems. However, since most used cars are sold "as is" the dealer is usually not responsible for the repairs. But, in reviewing cases, ACS has discovered outlandish dealings regarding pricing and contracts for used cars.

Used car pricing information is readily available for free on the internet. Possibly the most trusted and recognized site is Kelley Blue Book, found at [www.kbb.com](http://www.kbb.com). Prices on the site are already adjusted for local fluctuations in price, and for mileage.

In many cases, Soldiers are having a hard time just getting an asking price for cars on some used car lots. The dealer refuses to give a price, instead promising that he will "make it a good deal." The buyer first sees the price when preparing to sign the contract. This tactic puts the buyer at an unfair advantage in two ways. First, the buyer is unable to negotiate the price, since there isn't one. And, the buyer is unable to check online to determine whether or not the price is fair. As a result, Soldiers are buying cars priced as much as \$4,000 more than the local value for the car.

Also, some dealers are adding extra charges onto sales contracts, raising the cost of the car dramatically. On the simplest contract, there should be no additional costs other than the price of the car, the sales tax, and the tag and title. Aggressive dealers are also charging for service contracts, collateral protection agreements, gap insurance, and administrative or documentation fees. These charges can easily add up to several thousands of

## USED CAR BUYING TIPS

- Always insist on an "asking price" when looking at a car, then compare the asking price to Kelley Blue Book prices.
- Until you actually agree on a price, there is no need to give the information required to do a credit check.
- Never negotiate for a monthly payment. Always negotiate for a price on the car, and the monthly payment will fall into place.
- Don't assume that you can only finance through the dealer. Check with your bank, credit unions and other sources.
- Insist on a long test drive and an inspection, at your cost, by an independent mechanic. Never buy a used car on the promise that the dealer will make any repairs after the sale.
- Arrange insurance for the vehicle before signing the contract.
- Purchase your insurance from an agent of your choice, not someone to whom you are referred by the dealer.
- Carefully review the contract before signing anything.
- Make sure to get a copy of all the pertinent documents, not just the sale contract.

dollars, and add more than \$100 to monthly payments.

Service contracts for used cars tend to be overpriced. In many cases, buyers are paying more for used car service contracts than they would have paid for an extended warranty on a new car. Recently reviewed contracts priced the same service contract at amounts varying from \$945 to \$1,585.

Collateral protection agreements have no benefit at all for the buyer. They protect the finance company in case something happens to the car and the

owner has no insurance. But, the buyer is charged for the agreement, as much as \$1,500. If the owner has the proper auto insurance, there is absolutely no need for this. Look for this one on contracts abbreviated as CPA or CPI.

Gap insurance pays the difference if a car is totaled and the car is worth less than the amount owed on the loan. Gap insurance is legitimately priced at about \$350, but may not be needed if the car is bought at a reasonable price.

A Fort Gordon Soldier recently purchased a used car for a little more than \$15,000 at a dealer near the installation. In truth, the car was worth less than \$11,000. The dealer added other unnecessary charges totaling more than \$3,200 onto the contract. As a result, the Soldier is paying about \$200 per month more than he should be paying for the car. And, the car has many mechanical problems as well. The Soldier is stuck with an overpriced car, and is "upside down," meaning that he owes more than the car is worth.

How can you be sure that you're getting a fair deal? Take your time, do research, don't buy on impulse, shop around, and consult Army Community Service at 791-3579 for more information.



Graphic by Steve Brady

## Patches

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sewn on. Soldiers come in, drop off their uniforms and come back at a later time to pick it up. But this mission is going to be different.

"In this case, you guys are wearing the green everyday, so we've got to figure out a way to get them sewn on almost while you wait," said Stafford. "It's almost going to have to be an immediate turnaround."

Stafford said they may need extra staffing depending on command emphasis as

to when this task needs to be finished.

"We have not locked in any resources to do all 8,000 people in four months," he said. "We're certainly not staffed right now to do that kind of work in such a short period of time."

Stafford said, basically it is really in the hands of the units to determine what kind of date to get the patches sewn on.

"There is a big difference in June 14 and October 1,

2005," he said.

Stafford said CIF has received some phone calls from individual Soldiers about having the flag patches sewn on, but they were referred to talk to their unit.

"We can't be in a situation where 8,000 people are trying to come up here," he said, "because at the same time this flag issue is going on, we have the normal support that we are doing. So, we are asking that everything be coordinated through the units."

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# Band finishes recruiting tour

Denise Allen  
Signal staff

Since the Signal Corps Band returned from a recruiting tour last month, letters have been pouring in.

"Over 100 letters have been received from people who saw us in Florida," said Warrant Officer Scott MacDonald.

The band spent Jan 17 through Jan. 24 in Florida recruiting band members and new Soldiers.

"It was very successful," he said of the tour, which included concerts in Orlando, Fort Lauderdale, Melbourne, Boca Raton, Titusville and Hollywood. About 10,000 people attended the concerts, which included a wide range of selections from marches to a tribute to Irving Berlin.

The band traveled to Florida because there aren't any other Army bands there; Georgia and South Carolina have several including one near Atlanta, Fort Stewart and Fort Jackson, S.C.

Recruiters were available at the concerts to provide additional information about the Army.

MacDonald said he talked



Courtesy photo

The Signal Corps Band recently completed a six-city recruiting tour, including this concert in Orlando, Fla.

to several people who had already signed up to join Army bands and wanted to see what their jobs would be like.

MacDonald said that some people think that the Army band is a secondary job in addition to other tasks the band member has; however, with between 500 and 700 appearances annually, band members have a fulltime job.

The musicians play in ceremonies and funerals as well as concerts.

Another aspect of the tour was community relations.

"We want to get the message out this is what the Army band is for. We want to get a positive image out to the public about the Army," he said.

The Signal Corps Band hasn't traditionally been on

recruiting trips, he said, although other bands he's been a part of do tours on a regular basis.

"I'm hoping to make it a yearly event," he said.

The next big event for the Signal Corps Band will be a joint effort with the Augusta Choral Society. The two will perform April 30 at the Sacred Heart Cultural Center.

## "Hire the Heroes" aims to help troops

Pfc. Eliamar Castanon  
Bayonet staff

**FORT BENNING, Ga.** – To help decrease the shortage of qualified auto repair technicians, a leading automotive industry group is joining forces with the U.S. military to match qualified military veterans with available jobs.

"The Hire the Heroes initiative will give thousands of automobile dealers the opportunity to network with military outplacement personnel and to develop strategic relationships to ease the transition for veter-

ans into satisfying service technician careers," said James Willingham, chairman of Automotive Retailing Today.

Willingham said the recent pool of veterans includes technologically savvy, motivated workers whose skills may be easily adaptable to auto repair positions and other auto dealership careers.

ART statistics show the auto industry will need 35,000 people annually for new high-paying auto technician jobs and tens of thousands more for sales, finance and other jobs in auto dealerships in this decade alone.

"The qualities demonstrated by military personnel are the same qualities every dealer looks for in its employees," said Denise Patton-Pace, ART public relations.

"This is a good career path for veterans that offers good money, retirement and health benefits," she said.

"Our veterans are known for their accomplishments as warriors, but these Soldiers are also some of the most highly trained technicians in their field," said Chief Warrant Officer Kurt Schultz with the Army Ordnance and Mechanical Maintenance School at Aberdeen Proving Ground, Md. "The Army uses ASE certifications in our professional development models for mechanics."

The Army awards Soldiers promotion points for ASE or other civilian certifications as well, Schultz said.

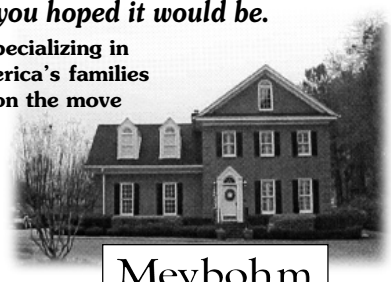
Veterans may take ASE certification courses through the Veterans Educational Assistance Program or with their Montgomery GI Bill, Willingham said.

For more information on Hire the Heroes, go to [www.nada.org](http://www.nada.org).

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## Focus: Balancing AC/RC force structure impacts 100K

Joe Burlas  
Army News Service

The changes planned under Army Chief of Staff Gen. Peter Schoomaker's Active-Component/Reserve-Component Balance focus area will mean more civil affairs, military police, transportation and port operations Soldiers in the Army, and fewer artillerymen, air defense troops and Ordnance Soldiers.

Schoomaker told members of Congress at the end of January that the active Army will temporarily grow by about 30,000 Soldiers over the next few years to ensure the Army meets its worldwide commitments in the war on terrorism while resetting and rebalancing to be more ready and relevant.

AC/RC Balance is about restructuring capabilities across the force, not changing the end strengths of the active, Reserve and National Guard components of the Army, said Col. Paul Hilton, chief of Programs, G3, whose branch conducted analysis in support of the focus area.

The current authorized strengths are 482,400 for the active Army; 205,000 for the Army Reserve; and 350,000 for the Army National Guard.

The Guard and Reserve have been integrally involved with the redesign planning and decision-making process from its inception, a senior Army official said. He added that the force balancing is designed to increase readiness, relevance, predictability, sustainability, survivability, and deployability to enhance the warfighter.

"This effort reflects the times we live in and the threats the nation faces in the contemporary operating environment," Hilton said. "It is about us being more ready and relevant to do the things we have to do against those who would do us harm today, and not the structure we built to face massive Soviet armored

***"AC/RC Balance is about building a campaign-quality Army capable of rapidly responding to combatant commander requirements while maintaining the depth necessary to defend the homeland while performing an array of stability and support operations."***

Col. Paul Hilton  
Chief of Programs, G3

formations across the Fulda Gap during the Cold War."

The rebalance of forces supports the chief's "Modularity" concept which will move the Army to a brigade-based design, Hilton said.

Changing the Army structure is not new; it is something the Army analyzes annually as it looks toward future needs and prepares its budget for Congress to approve, Hilton said. In fact about a third of the 100,000 spaces the restructure calls for were identified and planned for prior to Schoomaker coming out of retirement to take the reins of Army leadership as chief of staff last summer, he said.

Specifically, routine Army analysis demonstrated the need to increase its numbers of special forces, military police and civil affairs capabilities within the active force shortly following the terrorist attacks of Sept. 11, 2001. Additionally, a DoD memorandum issued in July called for the Army to be able to field a rapid response force capable of responding to any low- to midlevel intensity crisis in the world with minimum need to reach into the reserve-component to meet deployment manning requirements in the first 15 days of the operation.

Schoomaker expanded that to include the first 30 days of a deployment and further directed the revision of some policies and unit designs to increase readiness in the force.

First he directed that all Army early-deploying units be authorized 100 percent of the soldiers required in the unit design. Currently some AC units are authorized fewer people than they require to perform their wartime mission and must be augmented before deployment. These units will be brought to 100 percent authorizations, or in some cases where they are not warfighting units, converted to garrison-type unit designs more appropriate to their mission.

Next he asked the task force to look at what was causing high rates of non-deployable Soldiers in units and he set a goal of 100-percent deployable Soldiers in units. Members of the task force from G-1 determined that the major contributor to non-deployables are policies, especially those related to individual replacements and permanent change-of-station moves. Many of these policies will be irrelevant as the Army moves to implement Force Stabilization, Hilton said.

Schoomaker directed the G-1 to make some other policy revisions and determine how they in combination with Force Stabiliza-

tion impact the problem before making any further force structure changes.

Schoomaker also directed the Army National Guard and Army Reserve to establish personnel accounts for their soldiers who are non-deployable due to attendance at training or schools. Today in the AC there are 482,400 Soldiers authorized, but the Army only has enough units to use 419,000 of them, Hilton said. That way the Army can account for Soldiers who are in initial-entry training or between units.

Both the Guard and Reserve now have more unit spaces than they have authorizations for, Hilton said. He explained this has meant that units can never be fully manned. This method made sense during the Cold War when the potential need to rapidly expand the force was more important than readiness in reserve units, Hilton said, but does not meet the Army's need today.

The Army National Guard will reduce unit structure from 388,000 to around 342,000 spaces while maintaining all of the 350,000 people they are authorized today. Likewise the Army Reserve will only have about 185,000 spaces for the 205,000 authorizations they are allowed, Hilton said. He said the same number of people spread across fewer units will improve manning and personnel readiness.

One of the significant problems Forces Command has faced in ongoing operations, Hilton said, is the need to reach into two or three units for Soldiers in order to get one unit deployed. On paper, Hilton said, the Army has enough units to source requirements, but the reality on the ground is that not all of those units are really available.

There are bill payers for both the stand up of new force structure units and for 100-percent manning with 100-percent deployable Soldiers.

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## Commentary: Safety lesson in a flash

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Michael Licholat  
Army News Service

In the spirit of accident prevention, sometimes we have to step up to the plate and take one for the team. Here's my humbling story, shared with a bit of humor.

There I was, five minutes away from delivering a briefing for a complicated air assault mission in support of Operation Enduring Freedom. I had only one chance to make a good first impression in front of our coalition brethren, so I was determined to put my best foot forward.

I rehearsed the mission briefing twice and spent considerable effort ensuring the briefing area was set up to my exacting specifications. I aligned all the benches, marked and

posted all the charts and maps, and placed the manual pointer within arm's reach in case the laser pointer failed. With my notes at hand and the backup butcher posters and imagery, I was confident I could ace this brief even if the Proxima projector failed.

The projector had been warming up for a few minutes when I noticed there was some dust on the lens. Well, I wasn't going to stand for having a few specks casting shadows on my briefing! So, I went to the supply locker that our company S-4 dutifully kept stocked with administration supplies and got a can of compressed air to shoo away the offending motes.

We'd bought cases of the stuff before we deployed to blow the dirt and dust out of the cooling fans and circuit boards of our mission

planning computers. We'd gone through our canned air like wildfire and were out of the "good stuff" we'd purchased back in the "Yoo Ess of Ay." However, our resourceful S-4 had replaced those with some canned air he'd bought in theater. I think it was from Italy, or somewhere else in Europe. Not being multi-lingual, I wasn't able to read the label.

I wasn't going to be bothered by that. I took the little plastic tube that came with the can and stuck it into the spray nozzle. I was thinking pleasant thoughts about how clear my presentation was going to be as I pointed the tube at the projector's lens. Those were my last pleasant thoughts.

I pushed down on the spray nozzle when suddenly there was a low-pitched boom. I was instantly

engulfed in a ball of flame that one eyewitness conservatively estimated to be a good six feet in diameter. All the hair on my right arm was burned off, and the hair on my face was singed. Stunned, I dropped the can. The valve popped shut and the fire went out as quickly as it appeared.

After performing a quick assessment of my injuries, I left the briefing area for the tent where I slept, seeking a mirror so I could look for any additional damage. As I made my way out of the briefing tent amidst the arriving briefing attendants, the prominent comment was, "What is that smell?"

At my tent, my worst fears were confirmed—my moustache was now much shorter (but in direct compliance with AR 670-1!), my eyelashes were almost gone, and my eyebrow hairs were all curled up. Luckily, I'm what you'd call a "folically challenged" individual, so I didn't have anything on top to worry about.

A quick time hack revealed less than five minutes until briefing kick-off. I quickly washed up, used a pair of scissors to trim the burnt ends off my moustache and eyebrows, and then returned to the podium with a couple of minutes to spare.

Now I don't recommend this to anyone, but if you want to be calm when delivering a mission briefing, seek the feeling of euphoria that comes with no longer being a human torch. Usually the mission briefing is the least hazardous element of the mission and the execution phase is fraught with

peril. Sadly, I had just proved otherwise!

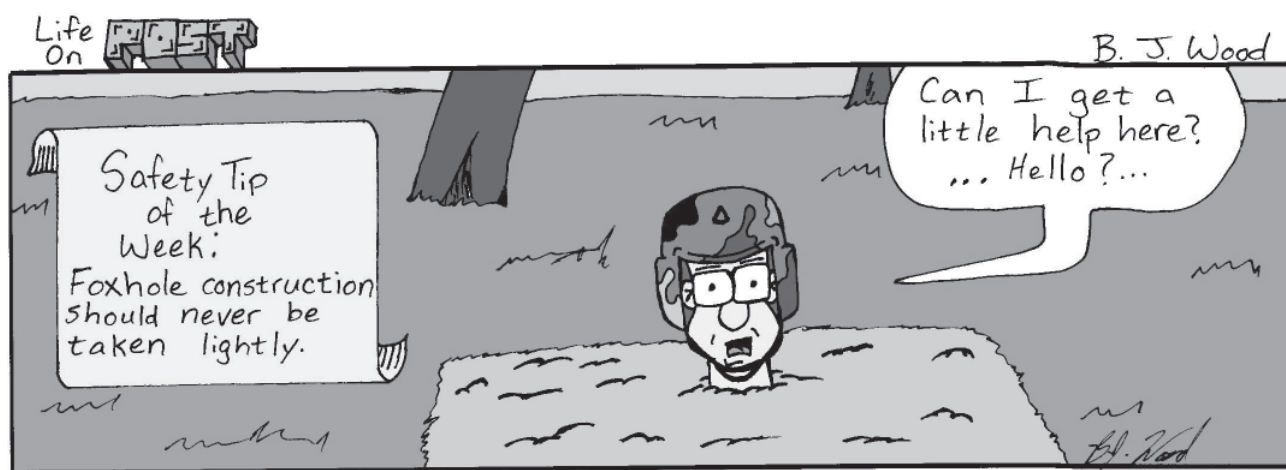
So, how can you avoid having this happen to you? Most, if not all, of the canned air sold in America is non-flammable and has warning labels to keep you from misusing the product. However, since we'd used up the "good stuff" we'd brought with us, the S-4—who is habitually browbeaten to keep the cupboards from becoming bare—replaced it with whatever was closest at hand. You know, the "You want canned air? I'll get you canned air!" approach.

Unfortunately, the S-4 couldn't read the label either. That's something to bear in mind if you're buying commercial off-the-shelf, or COTS items in countries that lack the consumer protection guidelines we have in America.

In the end, the fault lay squarely on my shoulders. I took an aerosol can of unknown origin and sprayed it onto a projector containing a very hot light bulb, which provided a source of ignition.

Furthermore, despite the fact that the can had a picture of a cat and a dog on it (I still don't know what that's all about), the back of the label had the word "Peligroso!" printed on it. I'm pretty sure that means danger.

In the end, I got lucky and avoided a serious burn by the hair of my chinny, chin ...uh oh ... those chin hairs are gone now. In the spirit of brotherhood, my comrades later hung a sign over my desk extolling my new nickname: "Flash! Do you mind if I smoke?"



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# Can't stop the PT rock

**Pvt. Armando Monroig**  
Signal staff

Mother Nature may be able to slow down a determined Soldier, but can't stop one from continuing with the mission.

That's especially the case for Soldiers who want to stay healthy throughout their pregnancy, such as the ones participating in the wellness program for pregnant/postpartum Soldiers on post.

Classes are held from 6 to 7 a.m., Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays at Gym 4. There is also a classroom portion on Thursdays from 7 to 8 a.m. on pregnancy and health related topics.

The program is open to all active duty Soldiers ranging anywhere from the beginning of their pregnancy to six months postpartum, and is free of charge. The only other qualifications are to have an uncomplicated pregnancy and a profile that allows for exercise.

The program sessions, lead by Jacqueline Dennis, a certified aerobics instructor, includes a wide range of exercises such as aerobics, walking, strength training, and flexibility and balance.

There are many benefits to the program said Melody Brown, program manager at the Health and Wellness Center.

"Statistically, it's been shown that women who exercise during their pregnancy have healthier pregnancies, and recover quicker," she said.

And this ties in with the Army's mission of taking care of its Soldiers' physical fitness.

"The Army's goal is to help the pregnant Soldier maintain a level of fitness throughout her pregnancy and return to mission readiness as soon as possible," said Brown.

Contrary to popular belief, it is not only safe for women to exercise during their pregnancy, but also healthy.

"That's the goal of our program: to provide safe, supervised exercise throughout their pregnancy and postpartum period," said Maj. Carol Hunter, Wellness Center director, who is six-and-a-half months pregnant and also a program participant.

She said there is always nursing staff on hand in case of emergencies.

The exercises are modified to suit the needs of the program participants which change throughout the course of a pregnancy, said Hunter.

"If they have a healthy, uncomplicated pregnancy, this is the place they should be exercising," she added.

One of the Soldiers participating in the program for most of her pregnancy is Spc. Liza Smith, a unit supply specialist for A Company, 73rd Ordnance Battalion, who is nine months pregnant. She's been attending the program since the summer of 2003.

Although she admits initially getting involved because her

first sergeant told her to do so, Smith enjoys going to the workout sessions.

"It's pretty cool," she said. During the summer, sessions involved swimming, said Smith.

She encourages other pregnant Soldiers to get involved.

"It's a great way to get back in shape," she said.

Wellness programs for pregnant and postpartum Soldiers began on individual installations, said Hunter.

"In the early '90s it sort of became an Army-wide initiative," she said. "It is still not a standardized program, but it's in the works."

And she is glad to be a participant of the program as well.

"If I wasn't doing this program I wouldn't be in as good a shape as I'm in," said Hunter. "This is my second pregnancy and I firmly believe exercising throughout pregnancy makes all the difference in the world."

Following their pregnancy, Soldiers can get on the road to

recovery by participating in the postpartum sessions.

Sgt. 1st Class James Parchell, master fitness trainer, leads that program.

"It's a great program for Soldiers, after they have their babies, to come back to slowly get in shape," he said.

Soldiers just need to take advantage of this program, he added.

Brown said she wants to make unit first sergeants and commanders aware this program is available to their Soldiers.

"We don't let them come and just sit," she said. "We work towards helping them pass their APFT."

Having this program available gives units a way of working with pregnant Soldiers.

"A lot of times units aren't sure what to do with a pregnant Soldier," said Hunter.

"This is a viable option," added Brown.

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Pregnancy PT, offered by the Health and Wellness Center, allows pregnant and postpartum Soldiers to stay fit during and after a pregnancy.

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# NCOs show their love

**Pvt. Armando Monroig**  
*Signal staff*

On Valentine's Day, 17 Soldiers showed their love for the community by participating in a food giveaway.

Members of the Basic Noncommissioned Officer Course, Class 009-04, went to the Greater Young Zion Missionary Baptist Church on Sand Bar Ferry Road in Augusta, and participated in the Manna Food giveaway.

The cold, rainy day did not stop the NCOs-in-training from contributing to the cause. They began their efforts by unloading boxes of food from the Golden Harvest Food Bank truck trailer parked next to the church.

After unloading the goods, the Soldiers took them inside the church where a group of congregation members had tables set up to sort the food.

There, Soldiers and civilians worked together separating the food items into boxes that would then be picked up by needy recipients of the group's generosity.

The food giveaway is a bi-monthly event held at the church that entails collecting 5,000 pounds of food from the Golden Harvest Food Bank and distributing it to needy people.

Anyone can be a recipient of the food giveaway. There

are no income qualifications. If someone needs food, they can pass by the church, fill out an application, attend a service and pick up a box of food items.

Stephanie Kirk, executive director of Koinonia Community Development Corporation, an auxiliary of the Greater Young Zion Missionary Baptist Church, said the help from the Soldiers was truly appreciated.

"We need all the help we can get," she said adding they distribute food to more than 100 recipients every time they hold the event.

"It is fantastic. I am so thrilled they came, especially today with all the rain," said Kirk. "We would not have been this far along without their help."

Other congregation members were also grateful for the assistance.

"It's wonderful," said Jeff Holmes, church member and trustee.

He said anything that Soldiers do in addition to serving their country, such as this charity event, is a blessing.

Staff Sgt. Stormy Graham, a BNCOC class member, was the one who informed his classmates of the event.

Graham, a bass guitarist for the church band, said it means a lot to him to be able to help his church, and involve his classmates as well.

"It's definitely a good event, giving out food to the community, because some people are not fortunate to have certain things," said Graham. "They can come by, get some of the word from God plus get some free food at the same time."

He added that it is a big morale booster because it shows people from different places can work together for a good cause and do something positive.

It is the first time Soldiers from Fort Gordon helped out with the food giveaway, but hopefully not the last, said Kirk.

"They can make this a community project every other month if they want to," she said.

One of the Soldiers helping out, Staff Sgt. Monique McRae, has done community service work before in other places like New York City.

She said it makes her feel "Outstanding, excellent" to participate in such a good cause.

She added that at one point when she was a specialist, she was a recipient of a similar church event and knows how helpful it is. She appreciated the help she received and was glad to give back by participating in this event.

Staff Sgt. Kevin Robinson, small group leader for the BNCOC class, was on hand at the event, and said while Soldiers are in BNCOC they

are required to give something back to the community.

"We as NCOs let them decide what they want to do for the Augusta community," said Robinson of their choice to come to the church and help out with the food giveaway.

In addition to helping out with this event, Robinson said they plan on holding a carwash to help raise money for the church.

"It's the military's way of giving back to the community," he said of community service.

Robinson said this is just one of the many projects Soldiers from the BNCOC classes donate time to. He said they help out with other organizations such as the Ronald McDonald House, Boy Scouts, underprivileged children and the homeless, to name a few.



**A group of BNCOC Soldiers help unload food for the giveaway.**



**Staff Sgt. Brian Chaney, BNCOC class member, places food items in boxes that are going to be picked up by needy recipients of the Manna Food giveaway, held at the Greater Young Zion Baptist Church Saturday.**

Photos by Pvt. Armando Monroig

## What makes a winner?

**Chaplain (Lt. Col.) William Merrifield**  
*513th Military Intelligence Brigade Chaplain*

"Do you not know that in a race the runners all compete...? Run in such a way that you may win it. Athletes exercise self-control in all things... So I do not run aimlessly, nor do I box as though beating the air; but... so that after proclaiming to others I myself should not be disqualified." I Corinthians 9: 24-27.

I will be retiring soon and have reached the pinnacle of my career and ministry within the military, and have had occasion to look back over the past 42 years of service to the Army. I began my military career three months prior to my 17th birthday in 1962. I have served nine and one half years as enlisted and NCO, six years IRR, four years and some months as a Texas National Guard chaplain, and more than 22 years activity duty as a Chaplain.

I've seen a lot of changes in the Army over the years. I've seen some things that have not changed; nor should they. I have been blessed to have seen "Glory Days," the likes of which will not come again, and so will you.

I've been told that every four years the world has a war and calls it the "Olympics." Most of the Olympic Games I don't understand. I don't understand the grading systems, I don't understand the time requirements, and I do not understand how in the world they arrive at some of the winners.

But it's not too much different from the Army promotion system. For most of us we just enjoy the competition, the thrill of the race, the daring to reach beyond ourselves and (really, no fooling) to "be all that we can be."

To the uncritical eye

there is often very little difference between winning first place and coming in second. Oftentimes in an athletic event the difference is measured in terms of hundredths of a second. Can you imagine the heartbreak of training for years to achieve a championship and then be beaten by only a few hundredths of a second?

Likewise the difference between making an A and a B in a course can be only one solitary point. The difference between being hired or rejected for a coveted job or position may be something you considered small and trivial. But to the military leader it stands out as a mark of your character and spells the difference between real success and or failure.

Champions do not become champions overnight. Championships are won over the long haul through months and years of training. Scholars achieve prominence only after years of tedious, consistent and laborious work. That seems to be a lesson some of our younger Soldiers seem to be missing.

Some young Soldiers, and leaders as well, seem to think that their early years really don't weigh that heavily on the total picture, thinking there will be plenty of time to prepare later.

Success in the military, like athletes, takes a long time in the making. That extra effort you do today often makes a big difference in the long run. The choice, like the career, is yours to make or break. However, I would hope that you would judge success or failure by what is to be found inside of yourself, and not on what rank you make.

Run the race, fight the good fight, and finish the course, "so that after proclaiming to others, you yourself should not be disqualified."

## Chapel Call

### Collective Protestant Services

#### Sunday

9:00 a.m. • Liturgical Service, Bicentennial Chapel  
9:00 a.m. • Gen "X" Soldiers Service, Friendship Chapel  
10 a.m. • Eisenhower Army Medical Center Chapel  
11 a.m. • Gospel Service at Signal Theatre  
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#### Catholic Services

11:45 a.m. Monday thru Friday, Eisenhower Army Med Ctr. Chapel  
12:00 p.m. Monday thru Thursday, Good Shepherd Chapel  
3:30 p.m. Saturday, Confessions, Good Shepherd Chapel  
5 p.m. Saturday, Vigil Mass, Good Shepherd Chapel

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11:45 a.m. Eisenhower Army Medical Center Chapel

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Samoan Service, Sunday 1 p.m., Bicentennial Chapel, Bldg. 28414

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Sunday, 11:00 a.m., Confraternity of Christian Doctrine (CCD) Classes, Religious Education Center (Sept. thru May).

#### Other Programs/Services

Episcopalian Soldier Representative is Kurt Miller at 791-0213  
LDS representative is Sergeant 1st Class (retired) Scott Robison, 533-0376. Apostolic Pentecostal's representatives are Chaplain Brewster, 791-4683, or Chaplain Snyder, 791-2539

#### Bible Studies

OCF Bible Study - Monday 6:30 a.m., Officer Christian Fellowship Bible Study, Friendship Chapel, 791-2056. Friday evening OCF POC is Col. Hook, 863-8231, or Capt. Craft, 364-5144.  
Tuesday, 7:00 p.m., Protestant Women of the Chapel, Bldg. 28414 Bicentennial Chapel  
Wednesday, 11:30 a.m., Devotional Luncheon, Bicentennial Chapel, Bldg. 28414  
Wednesday, 9:30 a.m., Protestant Women of the Chapel, Bldg. 28414  
Wednesday 11:45 a.m. EAMC Bible Study, DDEAMC Dn. Fac. Conf. Rm., 3rd floor  
Wednesday, 7:00 p.m. Bldg. 39713, Faith Community Bible Study  
Wednesday, 7:30 p.m., Friendship Chapel Bible Study  
Thursday, 11:30 a.m. 63rd & 67th SIG BN Bible Study, Contact Chaplain

#### Chapel Directory

Bicentennial Chapel, 791-3959  
Good Shepherd Chapel (Catholic), 791-2945  
Faith Community Chapel Activities 791-4703 (during duty hours)  
Barnes Avenue Friendship Chapel, 791-2056  
Eisenhower Army Medical Center Chapel, 787-6667

#### Religious Education

Protestant/Catholic Program, Mr. Randall Dillard 791-4703

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(Information provided by the Education Center.)

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<b>WEEK 3</b>	Voorhees College Time: 11 a.m.-1 p.m.		Voorhees College Time: 11 a.m.-1 p.m.	
<b>WEEK 4</b>	Voorhees College Time: 11 a.m.-1 p.m.	National Training 8 a.m.-4 p.m. (706) 495-3099	Voorhees College Time: 11 a.m.-1 p.m.	American Military University 10 a.m.-2 p.m.

## Drill sergeant spotlight

**Name:** Staff Sgt. Benjamin Lewis

**Unit:** Company B, 369th Signal Battalion

**Hometown:** Moultrie, Ga.

**Time at Fort Gordon:** Four years, four months

**What do you enjoy about being a DS?** Training and motivating Soldiers to excel. I also enjoy mentoring young Soldiers.

**What do you want to accomplish in the Army?** I want to one day retire, hopefully as a command sergeant major, but making first sergeant wouldn't be bad either.



**Staff Sgt. Lewis**



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## BNCOC class graduates, receives college credits

**Spc. Sam Smith**  
*Signal staff*

The Basic Non-Commissioned Officers' Course, or BNCOC, is an important training course for Army Non-Commissioned Officers



Photo by Spc. Sam Smith

**Terry Elam, president of Augusta Technical College, says the partnership with Fort Gordon has opened opportunities for the school. BNCOC graduates receive 24 college credits and program certification.**

## Balance

*From page 5*

Eliminating less-used and under-manned force structure will allow the Army to resource units that are in high demand, officials said.

Hardest hit will be the Army's field artillery community, which recently lost a brigade's worth of National Guard artillerymen who are currently being trained to serve as military police officers. The Army plans to disband a significant number of artillery battalions in the active force and the National Guard, Hilton said.

The Army's short-range air defense artillery is another bill payer at the division and below level.

"We are still going to keep some SHORAD capability at the corps level in the AC and actually fill previous shortfalls at echelons above division in the National Guard," Hilton said.

About 4,000 manning slots will come from the recently eliminated 71L, clerk-typist, military occupational specialty.

"Many Reserve and National Guard Soldiers have an affinity for the units they

to be better leaders.

However, class 037 has already led the way for a new program available to 74Bs, information systems operators, attending BNCOC.

Class 037 was the first class to receive college credit for their training.

The class earned 24 college credits from Augusta Technical College for classes completed in Cisco routers used for telephone and computer communications.

"We're a part of Fort Gordon, now," Terry Elam, president of Augusta Technical College, said. "This is the initial operation on post, which has opened up some other opportunities for us here."

Augusta Technical College has a full-time instructor working on post to teach the classes on Cisco routers affording every 74B BNCOC student the opportunity to work on his or her degree.

"I'm working on an Associates Degree in Computer Technology, but my main goal here at Cisco, besides the college credits, was to get certified," Staff Sgt. Shaun Jackson of the Army Research Laboratory said. "Since, BNCOC is required only if you want to make E-7, [the college credits are] a well added bonus."

are in or the particular jobs they are doing," Hilton said. "In some cases those Soldiers are in units where their fathers, grandfathers and great grandfathers have served."

Both the Guard and Reserve are taking this into account as they work the details of what kind and where structure will be reduced, Hilton said. In fact, he said the USAR and ARNG are working cooperatively to mitigate inactivations of the same types of units in the same geographic area.

While some have already started, most of the rebalance efforts will occur between 2005 and 2007.

"AC/RC Balance is about building a campaign-quality Army capable of rapidly responding to combatant commander requirements while maintaining the depth necessary to defend the homeland while performing an array of stability and support operations," Hilton said.

*(his is the fifth in a series of articles on the Army's 17 immediate focus areas.)*



Photo by Doug Valentine

**Sgt. 1st Class Brad Burgess offers career advice to Spc. Stephen Wiggins at Headquarters, Headquarters Detachment, 302nd Signal Battalion.**

## Detrick Soldier gives 'Top' advice

**Ann Duble**  
*Standard Editor*

One of the Army's top Career Counselors is Sergeant First Class Brad Burgess from Fort Detrick's HHD, 302d Signal Battalion. Burgess was runner-up for the Department of the Army Career Counselor of the Year Award after competing with 14 Soldiers Army wide Jan. 22 at the Pentagon.

The win came after being rated at numerous board appearances from unit to major command then DA level.

"They ask a lot of opinionated questions like, 'How do you feel about the Army's current transformation?' and more," he said.

Burgess is fairly new to the career counseling military occupational specialty. He joined the Army as an infantry Soldier nine years ago after graduating from high school in Uniontown, Pa. His previous assignment before

coming to Fort Detrick a year ago was with the Old Guard at Fort Myer, Va., where he took part in ceremonial duties in the Nation's Capitol and around the country.

As a career counselor, he enjoys the opportunity to have a more active involvement with Soldiers and their families and helping them determine career choices. He said over the past year, about 75 Soldiers he counseled reenlisted. For the low number of Soldiers stationed at Fort Detrick, that's a good rate he said.

Burgess says incentives to stay in have improved over the last five years including pay increases. "Job security and medical/dental benefits are probably at the top of the list," he adds.

Burgess also attributes his high rate of Soldier retention to leaders. "Leadership is involved at every level to ensure Soldiers make the correct, educated decision for their future."

## Unit Basketball Standings

*Standings As of Feb. 17*

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<i>Blue Division</i>			C-73	10	5
B-73	11	2	E-369	8	6
BNCOC	9	4	B-551	7	7
D-551	9	5	D-369	3	11
D-447	8	5			
B-447	9	6	<i>Red Division</i>		
C-447	7	9	A-442	14	3
B-551	6	8	HHC-201	13	4
C-73	6	8	NSGA	12	5
E-369	5	10	USAG	10	7
C-442	3	8	249	9	7
	2	10	A-551	7	7
<i>Green Division</i>			A-369	8	9
518	18	0	A-447	7	9
B-297	17	2	338TRS	5	11
HHC-206	15	3			
ANCOC	12	6	<i>Women's Division</i>		
B-EAMC	11	8	EAMC	20	0
252	10	9	GRSOC	16	4
311S	7	11	B-297	15	5
HHC-93	7	12	A-442	13	7
			ANCOC	13	7
<i>Morning Division</i>			E-369	11	9
B-447	9	3			



Photo by Spc. Sam Smith

## Picture perfect

Pvt. Ashton Gilmore, left, and Pvt. Michael Wilkinson look at a painting on display at the Woodworth Library for African-American History Month. During February, the library is also having an essay and poster contest. Deadline for the contest is Feb. 29. Go to the Woodworth Library for more information or call 791-7323.

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# Community Events

## Job fair

Army Community Service is having a Mini Job, Career and Home Business Fair from 10 a.m.-1 p.m. **March 3** at the U.S Army Reserve Center, Building 14401. The fair is open to the public. For information, call 791-0795.

## Warrant officer workshop

A warrant officer professional development workshop will be held at 3:30 p.m. **Feb. 25** at the Gordon Club.

Chief Warrant Officer 5 Andrew Barr, the new Regimental chief warrant officer for the Signal Regiment, will share knowledge of the issues affecting warrant officers based on his previous assignment at the Pentagon.

All warrant officers and any interested persons are invited. For information, call 791-5771.

## Masters tickets

The Directorate of Morale, Welfare and Recreation has a limited number of one-day Masters tickets available for sale for the tournament April 8-11. Only active duty military personnel assigned to Fort Gordon are eligible.

A drawing will be held March 22; winners may

purchase the tickets for \$44 per ticket. Applications for the drawing are available **March 1-19** in Darling Hall, Room 260.

For information, call Pat Camacho at 791-8204/8664.

## CIF closed

The Central Issue Facility is closed **March 4-9** for inventory.

During this period, the CIF will suspend all issues and direct exchange of equipment, with the exception of RNCOA and AIT inprocessing March 9.

Equipment turn-ins are not affected during the period. The CIF resumes full operations March 10.

For information, call Bobby Ray at 791-5186 or Norman Stafford at 791-7412.

## Boating skills

The Coast Guard Auxiliary offers a boating skills and seamanship class beginning **Tuesday** at the Port Authority Building at the Riverfront Marina.

Topics include boat construction, trailering, boating safety, navigation rules, boat handling, legal requirements and more.

Cost is \$35. For information, call 738-6446 or 832-6939.

## BOSS fashion show

Better Opportunities for Single Servicemembers is having a spring ball and fashion show **April 10**. Cost is \$25 couples, \$15 singles, and includes door prizes.

Auditions for models/talent is 4 p.m. March 18.

For information, call Spc. Glenyatte King at 791-3051.

## College registration

Paine College is having registration for Spring II 2004 **March 9-11**. Late registration and add/drop is March 12-15. For information, call 793-2030 or 791-7979.

## The circus is coming

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## Tech show

The annual Georgia Information Technology Show will be held at the Gordon Club from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. **Tuesday**. This event is free to all personnel.

Major technology companies will demonstrate the latest, fastest and "best of show" computers, related hardware and accessories.

For more information call (888)282-2262, e-mail [info@atc-expo.com](mailto:info@atc-expo.com) or go to [www.atc-expo.com/shows](http://www.atc-expo.com/shows).

## Volunteers wanted

The Family Y needs volunteers from 9 a.m.-4 p.m. **Saturday** to help repair and improve the cabins at its Camp Lakeside. Call Katrina Hintze at 860-2425 for directions, information or to arrange transportation.

## Dora the Explorer

Dora the Explorer Live performs at the Bell Auditorium **March 16-17**.

Tickets range from \$14-\$37. To order, call 828-7700 or go to [www.ticketmaster.com](http://www.ticketmaster.com).

## Education fair

The Fort Gordon Education Center will host an Information Fair at 6:30 p.m. **March 11** designed for those interested in becoming teachers in Georgia. The seminar will be in Darling Hall, Room 188. For information, call 791-2000.

## Signal reunion

The 17th Signal Battalion Association is having its 10th annual reunion **Sept. 16-19** in San Antonio, Texas.

For information, e-mail [adjanssen@aol.com](mailto:adjanssen@aol.com).

## Separating servicemembers

Servicemembers within one year of separating or two years of projected retirement from the military may contact the Army Career and Alumni Program for assistance. All servicemembers leaving active duty with more than 180 days of active service, must receive the congressionally mandated pre-separation counseling. This counseling must take place no later than 90 days prior to separation and covers available transition assistance services, rights and benefits. To schedule an appointment, call 791-7333, or go to [www.gordon.army.mil/dhr/ACAP/acap.htm](http://www.gordon.army.mil/dhr/ACAP/acap.htm).

## Women's history month

March is Women's History

Month. The 2004 theme is *Women Inspiring Hope and Possibilities*. The Women's History Month command program is 1:30 p.m. **March 23** at Alexander Hall.

The guest speaker is Brig. Gen. Julia J. Cleckley, special assistant to the director, Army National Guard and the special assistant for military women for Federally Employed Women. She is the first minority woman, line officer, to rise to the rank of brigadier general in the Army National Guard.

For information, call Master Sgt. Tonja Deans at 791-2014.

## Tax preparation

The Fort Gordon Tax Center offers free income tax preparation help for Soldiers, civilians and retirees.

The center is open Mondays through Fridays, 8:30 a.m.-3 p.m., through **April 15**, and is located at the Office of the Staff Judge Advocate, Building 29718, Room 118.

Military members must see their unit tax advisor first; civilians and retirees must call 791-7812/7813.

## Story hour

Woodworth Library hosts story hour each **Wednesday** from 11 a.m.-noon.

Children of active and retired military, and DoD civilians are invited to participate. The program is designed for children ages 2 through 5.

Volunteer readers are also needed for story hour. For information, call Liz Knight or Joyce Daniels at 791-7323.

## Surviving military separation

Army Community Service offers a support group for deployed Soldiers' spouses. This is an opportunity for spouses to share ideas and strategies on how to cope with stress associated with the servicemember's absence.

The class is held from 1-2:30 p.m. the first **Wednesday** of each month in Darling Hall, Room 367. For information call 791-3579/7557.

## Bible study

The Fort Gordon Family Life Center presents a Bible study for adults titled *Family Life According to the Bible* from 9:30-10:30 a.m. **Sundays** at the Religious Education Center, Building 39709. Other classes are available for all ages. For information, call 791-4703.

## Scholarships

The Augusta-Fort Gordon Chapter, Armed Forces Communications and Electronics Association will again award scholarships this spring to high school and college students. Applications are accepted through **March 30**.

The \$1000 scholarships are given by AFCEA to encourage the study of engineering, math and computer sciences. There is also a \$1500 and \$2000 scholarship available to top rated applicants.

To be eligible, candidates must be full-time students at accredited institutions, majoring in computer science, engineering or related field, or be an AFCEA member.

Applications and information are available on the AFCEA website at [www.afcea-augusta.org](http://www.afcea-augusta.org).

## Orientation

A newcomer orientation is held **Tuesdays** and **Fridays** at 1 p.m. in Room 367, Darling Hall.

## AER campaign

The annual Army Emergency Relief campaign is

# At the Movies

The Signal Theater is open Thursday-Sunday. Shows begin at 6:30 p.m. The late show on Saturday begins at 9:30 p.m.

Children 12 and over and all adults are \$3. Children 6-11 are \$1.50. Children under 5 are free.

For movie listings and times, call 791-3982.

**Feb. 20-26**  
**Today - Chasing Liberty (PG-13)**  
**Saturday - Disney's Teacher's Pet (PG)**  
**Saturday - Chasing Liberty (PG-13)**  
**Sunday - Disney's Teacher's Pet (PG)**  
**Thursday - Chasing Liberty (PG-13)**

*Note: Attendance at Fort Gordon's movie theater is strictly limited to authorized Post Exchange patrons.*

scheduled for **March 1 to May 27**.

For information, call 791-3371.

## Business advice

The Service Corps of Retired Executives provides counseling and mentoring to business people starting or expanding a business.

SCORE is a non-profit, public service organization affiliated with the Small Business Administration; all services are free. For information, call 793-9998, 9 a.m.-noon Mondays to Fridays.

## Desert Storm reunion

The VII Corps Desert Storm Veterans Association 13th annual memorial reunion dinner is 6:30 p.m. **Feb. 28** at Fort Myers, Va. For information, call (703) 522-7901.

## Judges needed

Virtual judges are needed for the Army Virtual Math, Science and Technology Competition. eCYBERMISSION is a web-based science, math and technology competition for sixth through ninth grade students.

All volunteers must have an interest or background in science, math or technology, know how to use a computer and have access to the Internet.

The competition takes place on-line, and judging is scheduled to begin Thursday and last through March 18, to allow time for judges to conduct online reviews and scoring of their assigned eCYBERMISSION team submissions.

If you are interested in becoming a judge, go to [www.ecybermission.com](http://www.ecybermission.com), and click on the Volunteer Information and Registration Button in the bottom left corner. Volunteers need to register by **today**. After clicking on the Volunteer Information & Registration

button, volunteers should:

1. Choose Judge Registration.
2. Enter the pass code, 04VJREG, on the next screen.
3. Complete the judge questionnaire and information on the following screens. For questions or comments, call (866) 462-9237 or e-mail [judgecoordinator@ecybermission.com](mailto:judgecoordinator@ecybermission.com).

## Bariatric support group

The Bariatric Support Group meets at 6:30 p.m. the **second Tuesday** of each month at Eisenhower Army Medical Center in the hospital auditorium on the first floor; the meeting begins at 7 p.m. The group is open to pre-op and post-op patients, and anyone interested in learning about the surgery.

Call Florrie Cox at 595-8330 for information.

## Employment workshop

A weekly workshop, *Tools of Employment*, is held 9-11 a.m. **Monday** mornings to assist in resume writing, job searching and interviewing techniques. The workshop meets in the Community Life Building, 33512.

For information, call 791-3579.

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# Fort Gordon REPORT

**COMING UP**

The newest edition of the *Fort Gordon Report* premieres Monday and includes the following stories:

- **Black History Month Command Program**
- **National Prayer Breakfast**
- **Soccer Shootout**

The *Fort Gordon Report* and *Army Newswatch* alternate weeks on Charter Cable Channel 13 on: Mondays and Thursdays at 7:30 a.m., 12:30 p.m., 5:30 p.m., 8 p.m. and 10:30 p.m., Tuesdays and Fridays at 7 a.m., 12 p.m., 5 p.m., 8 p.m. and 10:30 p.m., Wednesdays at 6:30 a.m., 11:30 a.m., 4:30 p.m., 8 p.m. and 10:30 p.m., and Saturdays and Sundays at 8 a.m. and 4:30 p.m.

The next edition of *Army Newswatch* premieres **March 1**.

Catch the newest *Fort Gordon Report* on Comcast Cable Channel 66 on: Mondays, Thursdays, Saturdays and Sundays at 9:00 p.m., Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Fridays at 8:30 a.m.

The *Fort Gordon Report* is the Signal Center's official television news program and is produced on post by the Fort Gordon Public Affairs Office and the Training Support Center.



Photo by Steve Brady

## Revolutionary

Members of Georgia societies of Sons of the American Revolution stand at attention **Saturday** as wreaths are placed commemorating the 225th anniversary of the Battle of Kettle Creek, in Washington, Ga. The Patriot victory at Kettle Creek helped to prevent total British control of Georgia and was the only significant check of the British invasion of Georgia. Members of the Signal Corps Band and the installation support platoon participated in the ceremony.



# Sports & Leisure

## Sports UPDATE

### Dinner theatre

The play "Noises Off," a British "farce about a farce," is at the Fort Gordon Dinner Theatre **today, Saturday, Thursday, Friday and Feb. 28.**

Dinner is at 7 p.m., with the show following at 8. Tickets for the show are \$32 for civilians; \$30 for seniors ages 65 and above, retirees, Department of the Army civilians, active duty E-8 and above; \$20 for active duty E-7 and below; and \$15 for the show only. For information, call 793-8552.

### Sports news

**Battalion Level Basketball** - Battalions desiring to enter a team must submit their memorandum of intent by **Monday.** The meeting with the coaches or a battalion representative is **Thursday** in the Sports Office, Bldg. 29719.

**Morning Basketball Championships** will begin Monday. Coaches can pick-up the championships bracket from the Sports and Fitness Office now.

**Greybeard Basketball League** — Interested participants should sign-up at the Sports and Fitness Office by **March 3.** Participants must be 34 years old as of **March 1.** This league is open to active duty military, retired military and DA civilians. ID cards will be checked at time of registration.

**3 on 3 Basketball Tournament** — Fort Gordon Sports and Fitness will host a 3 on 3 Tournament **March 27-28.** The tournament is for active duty military personnel only. Teams desiring to participate can sign-up at Gym #4, Bldg. 29607 by **March 10.** For more information, contact Sam McAdoo at 791-3692.

For more information, contact Al Robinson at 791-1142 or e-mail [robinsona@gordon.army.mil](mailto:robinsona@gordon.army.mil).

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### Golf tourney

The 15th Signal Brigade is sponsoring the 2nd Annual AER Golf tournament on **April 2.**

The four-person scramble includes a lunch buffet. Check-in starts at 10:30 a.m. Price is \$30 for GLGC members and \$40 for all others. Prizes will be awarded following play.

Call Sgt. 1st Class Thomas Millward at 791-5913 or e-mail [millwart@gordon.army.mil](mailto:millwart@gordon.army.mil) to sign up.

### Aerobics classes

Free aerobic classes, sponsored by the Health and Wellness Center, are held **Tuesdays and Thursdays** 4:30 p.m., at Gym 4 on Barnes Avenue.

For more information, call 787-6756.



Photo by Spc. Sam Smith

## Women's tourney takes off

**Spc. Sam Smith**  
*Signal Staff Writer*

The 2004 Women's Evening Basketball Tournament is drawing to a close with only three teams remaining.

Since the opening round of the tournament, B-297 has dominated the action. They stomped E-369 in the first round of play, 68-14. Then, in the second round they beat a strong EAMC team, 57-40. Tuesday evening, they bested the ANCOA squad, another strong team, in a defensive battle, 30-23.

EAMC had a first-round bye before losing to B-297 in the second round. Since then, they have dominated the losers bracket. They routed A-442, 44-27. Then, in the second round they faced the GRSOC team. After a close first half, EAMC pulled away in the second to pull down a 36-20 win.

ANCOA is a new comer to the loser bracket. They outplayed A-442 in the first round for a 32-24 win. In the second, they edged GRSOC, 36-34, before falling to B-297 Tuesday.

B-297's three-game winning streak has put them in the championship. They will face either EAMC or ANCOA.

**GRSOC Center Senior Airman Sierra Behring takes a jumper during a game against E-369.**

## Heavy metal

### Historic weapons take center stage at .50 cal shoot

**Sgt. Ryan Matson**  
*Signal staff*

There I stood, leaning into the kick of a 1919 Browning "gangster" style machine gun, hot shells raining around my feet on the ground. The weapon was cradled snug against my hip, and my arms shook with the rat-a-tat-tat of rounds firing downrange. At that moment, I realized I was living every 10-year-old boy's biggest dream - shooting a cool machine gun. Many overwhelming thoughts circled around my mind, but there was only one thing I could say when I handed the rifle back to its owner.

"That was awesome," I gasped.

The event was the fourth .50 Caliber Machine Gun Shoot, held Feb. 7 at post Range 16 and hosted by the Fort Gordon Sportsman's Club, part of Morale Welfare and Recreation's Sports and Recreation Division. The event brought together 16 machine gun collectors from throughout the Southeast to showcase automatic weapons in action from the early 1900s to modern day.

The weapon I was firing was the same model used by infamous gangsters Bonnie and Clyde during their heyday in the roaring '20's. It is owned by Lamar Cheatham of Marietta, Ga., and is valued at \$25,000 to

\$30,000. It was just one of several weapons the collectors brought to Range 16, including a host of .50 cal, several M-2s, sniper rifles, and modern-day weapons such as the Mag 58, the predecessor of the M-240 and the SPR, used by Special Forces Soldiers in Operation Enduring Freedom.

For the price of \$5 for adults and \$2 children, spectators could view these historic weapons pump thousands of rounds of ammunition downrange. Despite the frigid winds, between 50 and 100 people traveled to Range 16 to view the event.

Frank Mihm, the head of the Sportsman's Club Range Committee and organizer of the shoot, said it has grown to become a firmly-established event, drawing a core group of shooters, with one or two new exhibitors each shoot.

"There were a lot of people who wanted to do this, but had no facility to do it at," he said. "I made some inquiries and we got it approved, and now we've got people coming from all over the United States to come to this thing. The word is getting out to the people who have these weapons, and they're coming to it. Henning Brown, a guest at the other shoots, brought along four new people to this one."

Safety is paramount at all the shoots, according to Mihm. Range safeties monitor the shooters and no one besides them and the



Photo by Pvt. Armando Monroig

**One of the many participants of the machine gun shoot-out fires his weapon down range. The event, hosted by the Fort Gordon Sportsman's Club, featured 16 gun collectors showcasing automatic weapons from the early 1900s to modern day.**

shooters are allowed beyond the firing line. Unlike other shoots, the exhibitors are not crowded together in a shoulder-to-shoulder manner, either, Cheatham pointed out.

The collectors have become a tight-knit group, reuniting at each shoot, Cheatham said.

"That's the nice thing about this industry," he said. "Most of the people you meet are really nice people, and you'll go somewhere, and if somebody has a gun that breaks, if somebody else has a part, usually, even if they don't know them, they'll go ahead and help them out, just on trust."

Cheatham has attended all four of the Sportsman's Club's shoots and said he'll be back with different weapons for future events. He said that while the shoot that started it all, the one at

Fort Knox, remains the largest, shoots are growing in the West, and the shoot at Fort Gordon is one of the best in the Southeast. He said the distance of the targets, which were as far as 1,900 meters away, make the Fort Gordon shoot particularly fun for exhibitors.

"We can get the long distances, which at most places you can't," he said. "For things like the .308s, the tracers actually burn out before the round gets to the top of the hill, but it is fun to see how far they go before they burn out."

Many of the exhibitors had tracer rounds to demonstrate the accuracy of the weapons as they peppered metal bins a couple thousand meters away.

Despite the intensive paperwork and strict legal guidelines one must go through to purchase a

machine gun, the hobby is growing in popularity, Cheatham said.

"They all keep going up in value so much, they're probably as good an investment as anything that's been out there in the past few years," he said. "Guns that I've sold 10 years ago for \$2,500 are bringing \$12,000 to \$15,000 right now. There are only so many out there, because none manufactured after May 19, 1986, could be on the market, other than for law enforcement or other dealers. That means that the ones that were on record before are the only ones that can be sold to individuals, once they of course, become approved."

"So every time one is bought, it's put in a collection and that's one fewer that's available, and they're getting to be fewer and fewer."

## Fort Gordon Basketball Results

*Information provided by Al Robinson, Sports Coordinator*

### Green Division

Headquarters, Headquarters Company, 206<sup>th</sup> Military Intelligence Bn. 62, Headquarters, Headquarters Company, 93d Signal Brigade 37 518<sup>th</sup> Signal Company 49, Advanced NCO Academy 39 Headquarters, Headquarters Company, 206<sup>th</sup> Military Intelligence Bn. 2 31<sup>st</sup> Intelli-

gence Squadron 0

### Red Division

Naval Security Group Activity 55, Company A, 442<sup>nd</sup> Signal Bn. 34 Company A, 369<sup>th</sup> Signal Bn. 56, U. S. Army Garrison 55 249<sup>th</sup> General Hospital 56, 338<sup>th</sup> Training Squadron 51 U.S. Army Garrison 80, 249<sup>th</sup> General Hospital 74

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Company A, 551<sup>st</sup> Signal Bn. 60, Company A, 447<sup>th</sup> Signal Bn. 40

### Morning Division

Company B, 447<sup>th</sup> Signal Bn. 2,

Company D, 369<sup>th</sup> Signal Bn. 45, Company B, 551<sup>st</sup> Signal Bn. 16 Company C, 73<sup>d</sup> Ordnance 47, Company C, 369<sup>th</sup> Signal Bn. 22 Company E, 369<sup>th</sup> Signal Bn. 2, Company D, 447<sup>th</sup> Signal Bn. 0

### Blue Division

Company D, 551<sup>st</sup> Signal Bn. 45, Company B, 73<sup>d</sup> Ordnance 40 Company D, 447<sup>th</sup> Signal Bn. 2, Company C, 442<sup>nd</sup> Signal Bn. 0

Basic NCO Course 60, Company C, 447<sup>th</sup> Signal Bn. 24 Company B, 447<sup>th</sup> Signal Bn. 2, Company C, 442<sup>nd</sup> Signal Bn. 0 Company B, 73<sup>d</sup> Ordnance 56, Company B, 551<sup>st</sup> Signal Bn. 35 Basic NCO Course 44, Company C, 551<sup>st</sup> Signal Bn. 30 Company D, 447<sup>th</sup> Signal Bn. 25, Company C, 447<sup>th</sup> Signal Bn. 13



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**CLUES ACROSS**

- Famous ladies, Bonheur and Parks
- Positioned to shoot
- Type of official
- Dresses up
- Rubbed out
- Cosmetic
- Top part; covering the chest
- City or copy
- VI
- Hemorrhage
- Fairies
- Lacking in refinement
- Ardor
- Gentlemen
- Publicizes
- Sculptures
- Infections
- An electrical force linking atoms
- Type of custody
- Rods
- A way to beat up
- Rushes
- North or South
- Charles \_\_, atonal composer
- Macaws

**CLUES DOWN**

- Replenishes
- Strikingly unconventional
- A very large body of water
- In a way, bent
- Anything that provides an inspiration for later work
- Aces
- Belonging to a thing
- Twitch
- Expunction
- Mocks
- Jewish spiritual leader
- Instructed in spiritual improvement

- Dialects of the Taiwanese and Hokkianeses
- Single-reed instruments
- Mariners
- In a way, aids
- Cheese dish
- Tans
- Cold wind
- In a way, touches
- Particular instance of selling
- A group of islands between Asia and Australia
- A low wall
- Egg-shaped terra-cotta instrument
- \_\_ fide (Latin)
- Type of cancer
- Yields
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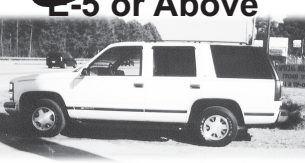
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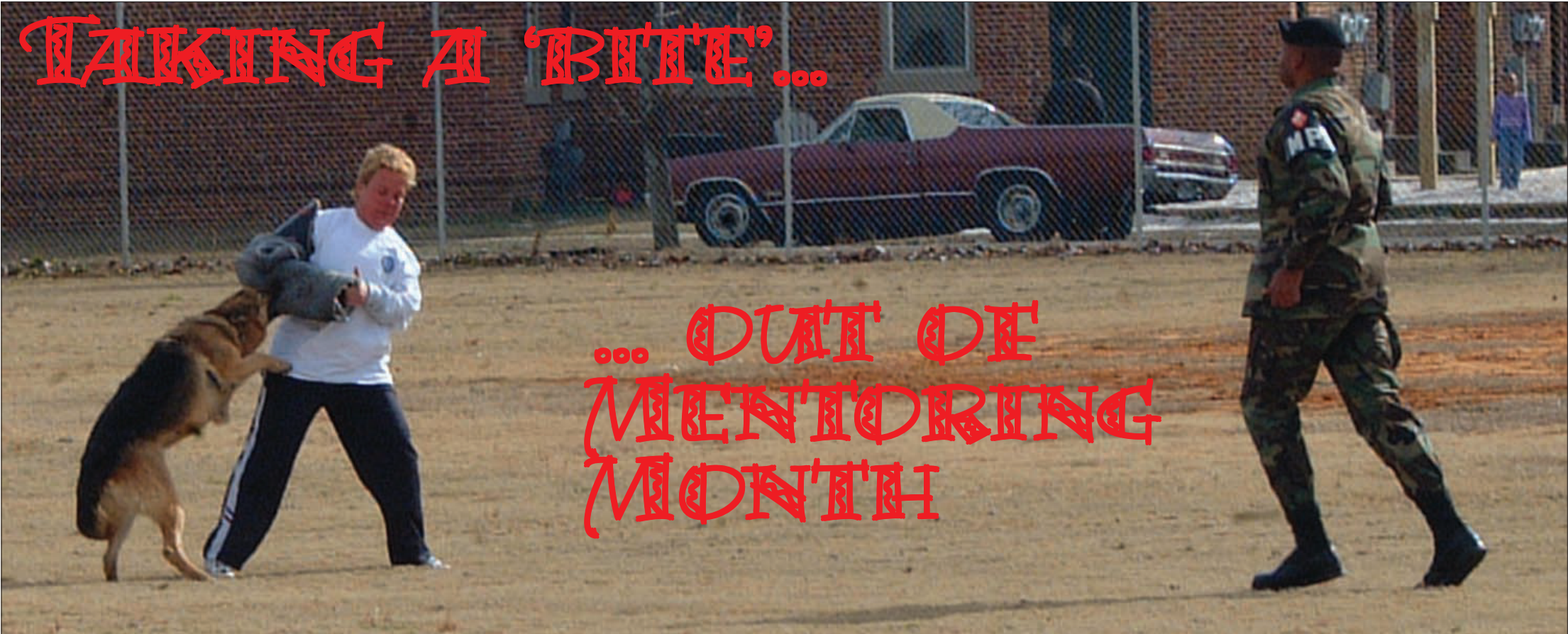
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# Spectrum



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Staff Sgt. Ernest Mayfield, the noncommissioned officer incharge of the Fort Gordon K-9 unit, watches as eight-year-old German shepherd, Ajax, attacks Spc. Rebecca Hockenberry, a dog-handler with the K-9 unit, on the protective glove she is wearing, during a demonstration at the Augusta Boys and Girls Club.

**Sgt. Ryan Matson**  
*Signal staff*

Recently, several groups from Fort Gordon traveled downtown to show their support for a local community organization.

On Jan. 31, the Dynamic Steppers, the Fort Gordon chapter of the Youth Challenge Academy, and two members from the 35th Military Police Detachment K-9 unit were at the Augusta Boys and Girls Club, located on Grace Street, as part of the National Mentoring Month program.

Dervin Jackson, the volunteer and mentoring coordinator of the Augusta Boys and Girls Club, started the program at 10 a.m. by introducing a panel of Augustans who represented organizations with the goal of keeping young people out of trouble and helping them

make positive life decisions. Among the panel members were Sylvester Moore, the post residential counselor of the Fort Gordon chapter of YCA and head of the mentoring department, a local mentor, members of the juvenile court staff, the vice president of development for the Augusta chapter of 100 Black Men for Youth, a member of a drop-out prevention group, a local guidance counselor, and Danny Craig, the local district attorney who prosecutes cases in juvenile court.

"If you wonder why we have all these groups here, it is to show you that if you do happen to get into trouble, there are organizations in the local area to help," Jackson said.

Moore gave the young people in attendance an inspirational speech.

"I hope and pray none of you ever have to come to Youth Challenge - it's not a prison, but a place for kids who have messed up their lives," he said. Moore added that more than 55,000 kids drop out of high school each year, and YCA, the second largest mentoring program after Big Brothers and Big Sisters, is available to help young people get their GEDs, among other goals of the program.

The 22-week-long program, in which youth reside at a YCA barracks, features a staff of mentors, many former military members, who have completed a background check and devote their abilities to helping young people get their lives back together. He said that when young people leave the program, YCA continues to track their development - helping them



(Left) The Dynamic Steppers, a dance group from the Youth Center on post, perform a few dance routines for those in attendance at the Augusta Boys and Girls Club.

find employment and providing life counseling. YCA was founded in 1992.

Moore also said young people should heed the words of people in their community who are trying to reach out to them in a positive way.

"A lot of you have mentors and don't even know it," he said. He said these people are those who are giving them advice and trying to steer them down the right path.

Following Moore's talk with the kids, the crowd went outside to view a K-9 demonstration by Staff Sgt. Ernest Mayfield, the non-commissioned officer in charge of the Fort Gordon K-9 unit, and Spc. Rebecca Hockenberry, a dog-handler with the K-9 unit.

"This ain't Rico that you've got tied up in your backyard," Jackson said as

he introduced the demonstration.

Instead it was Ajax, an eight-year-old male German Shepherd who has worked with Mayfield in numerous demonstrations in the past.

"I guess we work well together because we're both kind of old," Mayfield joked.

For the safety of the viewers, the demonstration took place behind a fence, because although Ajax is a friendly dog, he is fiercely loyal and handler-protective Mayfield said. The demonstration included a prone search of a pretend perpetrator (played by Hockenberry), and examples of Ajax catching and seizing Hockenberry on command. The demonstration showed the discipline and obedience of the dog in its response to Mayfield's commands, as well as the power and strength of the animal when

it attacked the protective glove Hockenberry was wearing.

Mayfield, who is approaching retirement from the Army, said he will miss working with the dogs and the various assignments he has completed with them, including a deployment to Saudi Arabia and working as a dog handler at the 1996 Centennial Olympic Games in Atlanta.

"It's been a great ride," he said.

After the K-9 demonstration, children and mentors packed back in the Boys and Girls Club to watch the Dynamic Steppers take the stage for a few songs of dancing. The show, which concluded in the afternoon, also featured an open youth forum, basketball game between the mentors and mentees, and an awards ceremony.



Hockenberry plays the role of the 'bad guy' while Ajax reacts.

(Right) Mentors and kids watch as the MPs prepare for their demonstration. (Below) Mentors and kids gather outside the Augusta Boys and Girls Club.

